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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 007-22**

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Composition of the COVID-19 Task Force

This memorandum is intended to clarify the membership of the COVID-19 Task Force. It shall be chaired by the Lieutenant Governor and consist of the following officials:

- Attorney General, who shall serve as vice chair
- Secretary of Samoan Affairs
- Treasurer
- Commissioner of Public Safety
- Director of Agriculture
- Director of Education
- Director of Health
- Director of Homeland Security
- Director of Human Resources
- Director of Human and Social Services
- Director of Marine and Wildlife Resources
- Director of Port Administration
- Director of Program Planning and Budget
- Director of Public Works
- Chief Procurement Officer
- Chief Executive Officer of the LBJ Tropical Medical Center
- Director of the State Medicaid Agency
- Director of the American Samoa Government Office in Hawaii
- Director of the American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency
- Director of the Office of Disaster Assistance and Petroleum Management
- Director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy
- Director of the Territorial Administration on Aging
- Executive Director of the American Samoa Visitors Bureau
- Executive Director, American Samoa Economic Development Authority
- Executive Director, American Rescue Plan Act Oversight Office
- Chief of Staff to the Governor

- Chief Legal Counsel to the Governor
- Chief Medical Officer of the LBJ Tropical Medical Center
- Medical Director, Department of Health
- Clinical Director, Department of Health

The above-listed members shall attend each meeting either in person or by video teleconference. They may also send a designee in their place. Members of the Governor's Office, the Department of Health, and the Department of Homeland Security may bring key staff members, but attendance by support staff should be limited due to limited space.

At the recommendation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, the following legislators are appointed to the COVID-19 Task Force:

- Senator Tuiagamoia T. Tavai
- Senator Faiivae Iuli Godinet
- Representative Andra T. Samoa
- Representative Samuel Ioka Ale Meleisea

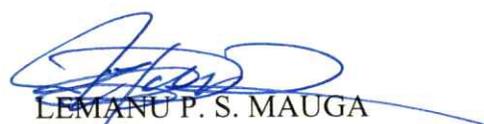
Additionally, the following at-large members are appointed to the COVID-19 Task Force:

- Lydia Faleafine-Nomura                      Department of Interior, Office of Insular Affairs
- Olivia Reid                                      GHC Reid
- Ella Gurr                                         Pago Pago Trading Company
- Laosamoa Poasa                              StarKist Samoa
- Tuli Fruean                                     Hawaiian Airlines
- Justin Tuiasosopo                            Bluesky Communications

The following people will provide medical and public health advice to the COVID-19 Task Force:

- HTC Tuato'o Dr. Seakerise Tuato'o      Chief of Internal Medicine
- Simamao Tuato'o, MSN, RN                Director of Nursing at LBJ
- Sharmain Mageo, RN                        Infection Prevention Specialist, LBJ
- Faraitoafa Utu                                 Deputy Director, Department of Health
- Dr. Elizabeth Lauvao                         Department of Health
- Dr. Aifili J. Tufa                                Department of Health
- Dr. Cecilia Alailima                         Department of Health
- Dr. Ronald Yip                                 Department of Health
- Dr. Monita Adip                                Department of Health
- Dr. Francine Amoa                            Department of Health

The General Memorandum supersedes General Memorandum 005-21, 012-21, 022-21 026-21, 037-21, and 038-21.

  
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